Commitments made	Position of implementation
	adolescents so that their felt needs for health care are fully met.
3. We are committing ourselves to formulate and operationalise a National Policy on Women which will continuously guide and inform action at every level and in every sector.	3. The policy is on the anvil.
4. We are committing ourselves to set up a Commissioner for Women's Rights to act as a Public Defender of Women's Human Rights.	4. This is presently being Considered by the National Commission for Women.
5. We are committing ourselves to institutionalize a national level mechanism which will monitor the implementation of the Platform for Action.	5. The Department of Women and Child Development, in its nodal capacity, is functioning as the natinal level mechanism to monitor the implementation of the Platform for Action.

Fee hike in the colleges of Delhi University

1766. SHRI RAMDAS AGARWAL: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Ministry has taken any final decision to hike tuition fees by March, 2000 in colleges of the Delhi University;

(b) if so, whether Government have examined the reports of the Rahman Committee and Anandakrishan Committee in this regard;

(c) whether Government have also taken note of the demands of the Dean of Students Welfare and President of Delhi University Students Union, as reported in the Hindustan Times dated 21st February, 2000; and

(d) if so, what are the main reasons/rationale behind the above fee hike, when fee charges under other heads in various colleges of D.U. are already high?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI JAYSINGRAO GAIKWAD PATIL): (a) to (d): Para 11.2 of National Policy on Education, 1986 and its Programme of Action, 1992

envisages hike in fee at the higher levels of education to raise the quality of education in the country. However, the fee in a university is decided as per the provisions in its ordinances. As such, any hike in the fee for Delhi University Colleges has to be considered and decided by the University itself. The Government of India has no direct role in this regard, however it can facilitate the process. The facilitation role is enjoined by the National Policy.

Sanskrit Departments in Central Universities

1767. DR. C. NARAYANA REDDY: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that some of the Central Universities do not have Sanskrit Departments;

(b) if so, the names of such Universities;

(c) whether it is a fact that Sanskrit is one of the oldest living languages in the world;

(d) if so, what are the reasons for not promoting Sanskrit in Central Universities; and

(e) by when Sanskrit Departments are likely to be opened in all the Central Universities?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI JAYSINGRAO GAIKWAD PATIL): (a) to (e): The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha.

Closure/Merger of Kendriya Vidyalayas

1768. SHRI JALALUDIN ANSARI: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that many Kendriya Vidyalayas have been closed down/merged with others in the preceding three years and more are to follow suit in the ensuing academic session;

(b) if so, what are the reasons therefor, what are those Vidyalayas and the year-wise details of such Vidyalayas; and

(c) the detials of Kendriya Vidayalayas which are proposedly being opened during the 2000-2001 session?